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# YORKTOWN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

ONLINE LEARNING DAYS FOR SNOW MAKE-UP

# Our Structure for Online Learning Days

\* Time Requirements
Student Time
Elementary 5 hrs.
Secondary 6 hrs.

**Teacher Time** 

Prep of MBC Learning Bundles 2 hrs.

Office Hour Support 4hrs.

\*\*Special Ed-Accommodated Students
On Campus & Provided
Transportation Per Parent Request\*\*

Tech Support
 Computer Labs
 Open Saturday 9-3
 Tech Helpline
 24 hrs. All Weekend



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Happy #ycsOLD1 Ss, Ts, & Ps! We are excited to give this a shot. Let me know if you need assistance while working through your bundles.

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## Online Learning Bundles

- Teacher Expectations
   Create QUALITY Online
   Learning Bundles
  - -Instructional/Practice Activities
  - -Hybrid of Digital & Paper/Pencil
- Student Expectations Complete ALL Activities
  - -Bundles Open Friday at 3:00
  - -Students Had All Weekend to Complete Lessons



# Our Results ALL Stakeholders Surveyed for Input

#### Survey After OLD#1

- -Large Majority Said PROCEED
- -Workload/Time Concerns (Secondary)
- -Request for More Authentic Instruction (Elementary)
- -Overall Satisfied

#### Adjustments Made for OLD #2 & #3



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Love the DLD participation pics **#ycsOLD1**. Thanks Admin., T's, S's & P's for making this a success. We will be asking for input for DLD #2.

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#### Survey After OLD#3

- -Parents and Teachers Felt Online Learning
  Days Were **GREAT**
- -Students Urged Us to Proceed with Caution
- -All Provided Valuable Feedback for Future Planning

Attendance (%) Per Bldg. Per DLD	March 1, 2014	March 8, 2014	April 5, 2014
Pleasant View Elementary (K-2)	96.4	95.5	93.9
Yorktown Elementary (3-5)	98.0	97.4	98.2
Yorktown Middle School (6-8)	98.5	98.5	96.3
Yorktown High School (9-12)	97.4	97.7	97.6
<b>Overall Yorktown Community Schools</b>	97.6	97.3	96.6

## **Online Learning Days**

#### Pros

- Recovered Time to Introduce/Review Content Prior to High-Stakes Testing
- Eliminated Support Staff & Transportation Scheduling Concerns When Looking at Adding Minutes/Days Before EOY
- Allowed Teachers to Put Digital Learning/Creation of Digital Content to the Test
- Opened YCS Up to Future Online Learning Opportunities
- Required Parents to Be Involved in the Learning Experience (Elementary)

#### Cons

- A Lot of Support/Work Required on the Back End By Administration
- Does Not Replace Face to Face Instruction From a Teacher
- Required Parents to Be Involved in the Learning Experience (Elementary)





#### MY FAVORITE PART...THE UNEXPECTED

**BENEFITS** 

#TIMEMANAGEMENT ~ #YCSPRIDE ~ #TEACHERAPPRECIATION ~ #PARENTSUPPORT ~ #PROJECTS



# Virtual Learning @ Maconaquah

Judy Off, Technology Director Craig Jernagan, Maconaquah Middle School Principal









### **Community Preparation**

#### Communication & Advertising is Critical

- School board approval and support
- Community and parental support
- Local library
- Local businesses
- Local day care centers



## Teacher Preparation

#### Professional Development

- Tech Tuesdays
- Follow Up Fridays
- Technology Showcase

#### Teacher Expectations

- Variety of elearning assignments
- Late assignments
- Assignment deadlines
- Taking student attendance
- No internet access @ home
- Rigor & Relevance



### **Student Preparation**

#### Student Expectations

- Must communicate with teacher
- Homework submission procedures
- Submission deadlines
- Connectivity @ home
- Where to get help?



### Technology Preparation

- Advertise technology hotline number
  - Technicians on staff to answer phones
  - Log student phone calls
- Train teachers to check voice mail from home
- Adjust web filter
  - Practice with student machines @ home
- Monitor web traffic
- Monitor social media
- Make house calls
  - With parental permission



## Virtual Learning Logistics

- PLAN, PLAN, PLAN
  - Special education students
  - Free/reduced lunch
  - No Internet connectivity @ home
  - Student attendance
  - Technology help



## Questions



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## Zionsville Community Schools

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## Digital Snow Make-up Days

**Zionsville Community Schools** 

### Our Goals...

- Reduce the number of days added to the year
- Provide more instruction prior to the start of standardized and AP testing
- Offer students strong experiences with digital learning (part of college and career readiness)
- Increase teacher capacity to design and deliver quality digital instruction
- Pioneer the possibilities for seamless learning delivered ON weather cancellation days in years to come

## Important Consideration...

A snow make-up day is a different use of digital learning than we were used to. Ideally, online learning should be a seamless continuation of in-class learning...but in this case, we were offering "make-up" of days lost, so design was slightly different than it might normally be.

#### Our Process...

- Survey of our community (900 families responded; 86% support e-learning options for students, 69% wanted to do e-learning snow make-up Saturdays)
- Agreement with Zionsville Educators' Association to pursue state approval
- Workshops for high school and elementary faculty on digital lesson design and delivery (Middle schools already use e-days.)
- Superintendent messages to prepare parents
- Planning for student supports (SPED, access)
- MOU with teachers' association regarding office hours and days

## The Details...

- 3 Saturdays set as the official e-days
- Lessons planned, tested, retested, retested, retested by staff, principals, and tech integrator
- Lesson planning for special needs students involved co-design or accommodations (extra time, adjusted content, adult support) provided by SPED teachers for students just as with inschool work
- Lessons released early in the week for parents/students to test on home computers, check for understanding, etc. (Padlet, LEARN)
- Teacher Saturday office hours shared with parents/students (ms/hs used Google doc)

### More Details...

- Supervised computer lab hours in schools and public library (great partner!) established on weekdays and Saturdays for students needing access or support
- Elementary grade level "hotlines" set up using Google Voice with teachers staffing them all day Saturday to provide lesson assistance
- Lessons due by Monday after the Saturday eday for teacher assessment and attendance verification

## Elementary Team: Helpful Tips

- Build common e-day lesson for each grade level so parents and students throughout the community have a shared experience and conversations.
- Choose a team of strong teachers for each grade level to build the lessons with tech support people all in one room! Provide chocolate and encouragement breaks!
- Designate one teacher at each grade level to be the chair. She/he will communicate with other grade levels about the overall theme/activities on their eday plan. (We didn't want Kdg and 1st doing the same theme and activities, for example.)

## Elementary Team: Helpful Tips

- Share the plans for the day so that each grade level of teachers can see them and get ideas.
- Share lessons with all teachers for input and "beta testing" prior to release.
- Have one person at the building review each grade level on several devices...viewing/clicking as a parent/child would.

## Set Standards for Quality



#### **ZCS Elementary Schools - Essentials for Digital Learning**

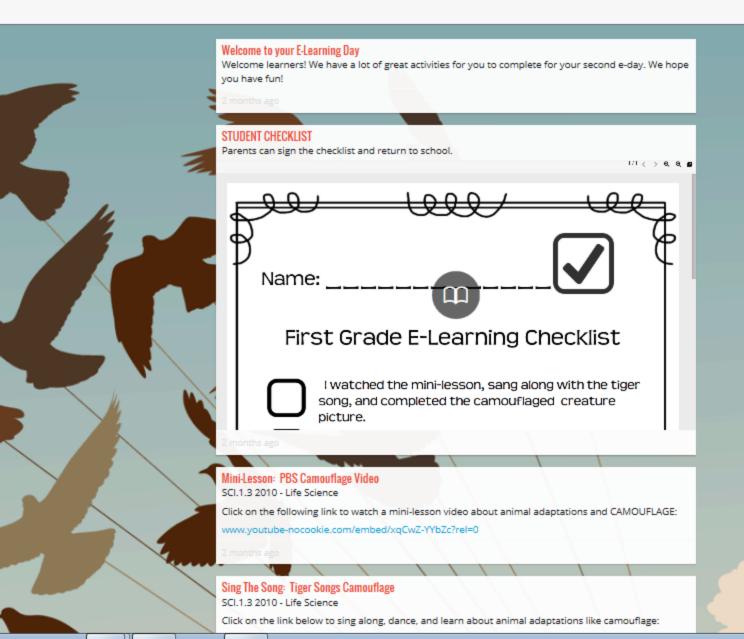
ISTE Standards for Students: http://www.iste.org/docs/pdfs/20-14\_ISTE\_Standards-S\_PDF.pdf

Essential Elements for Digital Learning	Tools	Examples
The Plan - Are the directions easy to understand? Is the learning path standards based and designed with the end in mind? How will you provide support to students throughout the experience?	Padlet, LMS, printed support materials,	
Informative and engaging - How will you deliver and support informative and engaging content? How will you keep learning personal through multimedia?	National Geographic, YouTube, ShowMe app, Camtasia Studio/Snagit, Lesson Paths (former Mentor Mob)	Lesson Paths link together multiple sources around a theme/lesson and can be embedded into Padlet and the class blog. Teacher created videos made with ShowMe to demonstrate directions, skills, math algorithms. Screencasts made with Snagit or another screencasting tool.
Authentic Application- How will you differentiate rich and robust tasks? How will students apply the learning goals to real world issues? How will tasks and activities require students to think critically and engage students in deeper learning? Where on the bloom's level is your learning objective? How do the tasks create a learning context?	Blooms Digital Wheel  SAMR Model Pedagogy Wheel	Students learn about how electrical units work and the units used to measure them and have students calculate made up situations. Students learn what the electric meter is and how is works by counting KW usage. At home, students look at it while most items in the house are functioning for 1:00 minute. Then, turn off as much as possible and time again for usage. Students experiment with different items to see which uses more energy. Extensions could be research guidelines on energy star and what items they believe based on their research use the most energy at school. If we were to invest in energy savings at school, what areas or appliances would we need to look at to save money.
Communication - How will you and your students engage in discussion,	Google Drive, Kidblog,	Kidblog class blog serves as a virtual

## Quality Standards...

- The Plan...standards-based, backwards design, teacher support, clear directions
- The Content...informative, engaging, personal
- The Process...authentic tasks, higher level thought, differentiated
- Communication...among students, with teacher
- Creativity and Collaboration to construct meaning
- Assessment and feedback

ls Help



## Items to Check Before We Press Send!

- All links work on both PC and MAC
- All documents included as links or copied
- Multiple tests by multiple people
- Sound check on all video
- Citations
- Ad check, link check on all YouTube/Show Me videos
- Clear directions and preparation for students and parents...CHECK IN!

#### E-DAY ARRIVES

- Friendly letter with link to lessons from teacher at elementary and "office hours"
- Message from MS/HS office with link to Google Doc showing all staff "office hours" in one place
- Reminders/previews to students in class
- Support people in place (labs, hotlines, tech)

# Giving ALL Students the E-day Experience

#### Academic

#### **Functional**

#### Spelling Practice: (select one)

- Come up with a complete sentence for each spelling word.
   Then, type each sentence making sure to focus on correct capitalization and punctuation.
- 1. Write each spelling word 5 times each
  - I. Practice spelling words on spellingcity.com

#### Chores:

(Have student complete at least 2 from this list or anything else you might need done around the house or something that they would have to do if living independently.)

- Make bed
- 2. Load dishwasher
- 3. Unload dishwasher
- 4. Clean countertops
  - 5. Clean microwave
  - 6. Fold laundry
    - 7. Vacuum

#### <u>Writing:</u>

Type a daily log about your day on either a Saturday or Sunday (choose 5 sentence starters or come up with your own. Focus on correct capitalizations and punctuation.):

I woke up at...
I went...
I ate lunch with....
My favorite part of the day was...
I ate...
I cooked...
I cleaned...
I did not like...

#### Cooking:

(create a simple snack from the list below or have student follow a simple recipe that you have a home)

- 1. Peanut butter and jelly sandwich
  - 2. Popcorn
  - 3. Cutting fruit
  - 4. Macaroni and Cheese
    - Hot dogs

## Giving All Students E-days...

## Please Complete 2 Academic and 3 Functional by Monday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014

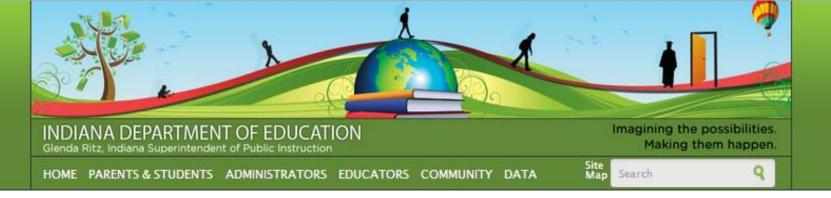
\*\*If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me any time between 3:00 – 4:00 on Tuesday (8<sup>th</sup>), Wednesday (9<sup>th</sup>), and Thursday (10<sup>th</sup>). If you feel that your child needs to stay after school on one of those days to complete a make-up assignment, please email me and we will schedule a time!

#### Additional Directions:

- 1. I would recommend creating a "plan" at home to motivate your student to complete these tasks.
  - a. For example:
    - Make bed
    - ii. Brush teeth
    - iii. Type spelling words 5 times each
    - iv. Break (Free Choice: tv, IPAD, etc)
- 2. If you would like a task analysis of any of the activities (like the grocery store one) please email me and I will send one to you.
- Please email me any results from activities they have completed on the computer.
- 4. If you have a hard copy of something they completed please place it in their binder to send back to school.
- Parents, please write a brief narrative over what activities were more challenging for your student or which activities you noticed they
  could complete independently! If they completed activities that there is not a computer or hard copy, please simply email me to tell me
  which ones they completed. Thank you!!! Feel free to submit any suggestions you may have!

### Our Celebrations...

- ▶ Nearly 100% attendance on e-days!
- Very few parent concerns
- Very few students needing additional supports; we had more help in place than was needed
- Teacher capacity increased; usage of various tools skyrocketed
- Implicit hidden rewards...
- Positive teacher feedback
- No days in June!





#### eLearning

Social Media
Digital Resources
Professional Development
Collaboration
eLearning Data
eLearning Grants

#### April

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				10		
13	(E)	15	16	17	18	19
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All Events

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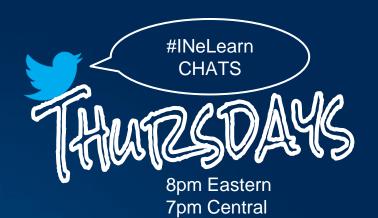


Indiana eLearning 1:1 Map









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Social Media in the Classroom with guest co-moderator John Wells @rhsteach

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